

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: : Group Art Unit:
Oliver K. Ban et al. : Intellectual Property
Serial No: : Law Department - 4054
Filed: : International Business
Title: A COMMUNICATIONS : Machines Corporation
NETWORK FOR TRANSMITTING : 11400 Burnet Road
PACKETS OF DATA VIA A : Austin, Texas 78758
PLURALITY OF SEQUENTIAL :
ROUTERS FROM A TRANSMITTING :
STATION TO A RECEIVING :
STATION WITH PACKET HEADER :
CODING FOR MAXIMIZING :
TRANSMISSION EFFICIENCY :
Date: _____ :

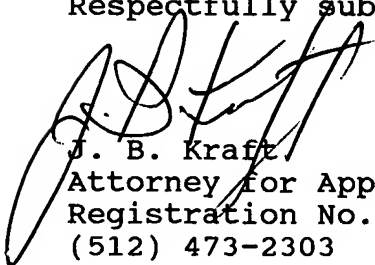
STATEMENT IN LIEU OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants submit that other than the background art discussed generally in the specification of this application, they are aware of no further art. Thus, this is being submitted in lieu of a statement under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.97(b).

Respectfully submitted,



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